Joshua Tree

Where the Breezes
Spend the Summer
And the Summer
Spends the Winter.
"WOODY"

Forget-Me-Not Day April 6, 1946

The Forget-Me-Not speaks
"Little pale blossoms of tint sky blue,
Why are you worn today?
Why is everyone buying you?
What do you stand for pray?

I stand for a cross in Flanders Field
And the Marne, and the Wood of Belleau;
For the khaki line that would not yield—
For the prayers from lips that Death has sealed—
I stand for wounds that have not healed,
And hospital beds in a row.

I stand for horrors and wounds and scars,
For bodies shattered and torn;
For battlefields reeking beneath the stars
With sacrifices to the War-God Mars;
For an end to the reign of Kings and Czars;
And for mothers and wives that mourn.

For the mem'y of warriors racked with pain,
Mangled while facing the foe;
Belgian soil bears a crimson stain
Where they offered their all, unthinking of gain,
(They know NOW their sacrifice was not in vain!)
In their Hospital Beds in a row!
By WILLIAM ELLIS REGISTER

THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS are raising funds for the help of all those and their families who fought in our wars. Mrs. Thelma Wiser, chairman of the drive for Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley, and Morongo stated that the funds raised would be used for veterans of all the wars; not just those of World War I as so many have thought.

Working in Joshua Tree Mrs. Wiser has appointed Beverly Moninger as chairman of the girls who are to make the collections. Workers under Beverly will be Barbara Sullivan and Billie Jean Barron. The girls will wear white hats and will give you a forget-me-not in exchange for a donation. Any amount you care to give will be welcome.

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Pioneer Days Here Again

Practically all the men in the Valley are growing beards and emulating the early settlers

Barber shops are playing a losing game. The sale of shaving cream and after-shave lotions have reached an all time low. All this is in preparation for the Pioneer Day Festival which is being planned May 1.

Whether these beards will be permanent is anybody's guess. When the sun starts blazing and the desert really gets into summer weather it's a good gamble that most of the men will shed the whiskers.

Pioneer Town

Added to the above comes the word that a Pioneer town is springing up practically next door to Joshua Tree. According to Dick Curtis who, with Mrs. Curtis was in town last week, an independent moving picture company has been formed.

The new company owns 13,000 acres which they have named PIONEER TOWN. They plan to build a replica of an old mining town and several stages upon which to shoot pictures. There will be a modern lodge to house the players. In short, they expect to have a small western village complete in every detail. If their plans carry through they should commence producing in about ninety days.

Joshua Tree is the nearest town. This should mean increased business for the merchants and a bit more excitement for the residents.

Sun Valley Adds A New Family

Sun Valley is to have a new family very shortly . Mr. and Mrs. Leo Emig and young daughter Ann expect to move from La Crescenta, California, around the middle of June. They would be here earlier only they do not want to interfere with Ann's school work.

Mr. Emig has been a welder with the California Gas Company for 10 years. He has always liked the desert and decided it was a better and healthier place to live than the City. He expects to go into business here but is not ready to say much about it at present as his plans are not mature.

Mr. and Mrs. Emig have sold their home in La Crescenta. Before coming to California they owned a cattle ranch in Cherry County, Nebraska. The California climate appealed so they sold out in Nebraska and headed west. They believe they have at last found the ideal location and are looking forward to the closing of school when they can be here permanently.

Sun Valley Gets Water Supply

Water was turned on in Sun Valley on Monday, March 25th. This is the most welcome news the Sun Valley people have had for some time. Now things should commence to buzz over there. We hear that the new Grocery Store is well under way and that there is already a feed store. The new Tract Office is also something to be proud of. We'll be hearing much more from this section in the very near future.

The Circular House

The latest thing in houses, it seems, is the circular house built of metal. Recently the new Fuller house made its debut in Washington and created quite a little excitement and interest. It is made entirely of metal and plastics and comes equipped with all the modern electrical equipment such as washing machine, sink with waste disposal unit, refrigerator and kitchen range.

The new house has what the manufacturer calls "ovolving shelves" which, at the turn of a switch come up and move past the opening. There are many other interesting and unusual features the best of which seems to be that a guarantee goes with each house sold and when anything gets out of order all you have to do is call the service man. We understand they are guaranteed against everything from termites to hurricanes.

The Fuller Company, Inc., plans to have models on display throughout the country sometime this summer but probably mass production will not start until after the first of next year. Idle aircraft factories are being used and it is expected that 1,000,000 can be produced annually. At this rate every town and city in the U. S. A. should have some of them.

Back in 1929 R. Buckminster Fuller developed the original "dymaxion" design which got quite a little publicity as the house of the future.

The new house has 1,017 square feet of floor space and is built somewhat like a suspension bridge from a central steel mast.

Petersen's Revive Western Hospitality

Did you smell those T-bones and French frys last Saturday night cooked outdoors on an open fire? The C. O. Petersen's had two carloads of relatives up from Los Angeles and Hollywood, and nobody slept on the floor.

There were the Hugh Delanys, Junior and Senior, and their wives. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Delany and baby, Constance. The boys, Hugh and Warren, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dolan, and their son, Douglas, were chief cooks. And who, the LISTENER asks, washed the dishes?

Amber Petersen's brother, Hugh, and his wife, Laura, will remain for a week or more, the youngsters had to get back to the city Sunday night.

"Pete" played the piano and sang, there was square dancing and much hilarity. They all sat down to an outdoor sunrise breakfast, consiting of pancakes, coffee and other good things, cooked at a camp fire Sunday morning. (Bet you had some of that wonderful desert sage honey, Amber!)

PUM - IS - TYLE

This new tyle marketed under the trade name of Pum-is-tyle, is something different in building material than the old type of cement block. According to the L.M.S. Cement Company who are now manufacturing it, there is a great improvement over the old style. This new block is far lighter and much more practical in every way. One advantage that will be of interest to the women in the family is the fact that you can drive a nail into it any place. Where the blocks form the inside, as well as the outside wall this is a decided advantage from a decorating standpoint. If you are thinking of building it is worth looking into. The firm of Lawson, McArthur and Sevage will be glad to tell you all its merits.

No word from Mary Burson or when she will be back. Her friends all send along good wishes. Better be on hand for election, Mary.

Dangerous Home

One of Satans demons might read a touch of macabre humor into the announcement by the National Safety Council that the most accident-risky spot an American can find is his own home. One in every three persons killed by accident last year met death at home —and 30,000 such tragedies will occur in the next year unless the rate is reduced by caution and precaution.

It is as if to say that the citizen who leaves his car in the garage and stays home on a holiday to escape the risk of a traffic mishap is only making a Hobson's choice. The emergency hospital ambulance is about as likely to call for him at his house as it is to pick him up at a spot marked "X" on some highway!

The moral seems to be: Never relax into carelessness after you leave that garage—whether headed for the highway or the fireside and slippers.

UNEXPECTED VISITORS

Unexpected visitors arrived at Rockhaven about 7 p.m. Wednesday night.

Mrs. Blanche Dailey Terry and her two chi-hau-haus, "Pinge" and "Nino", together with George Nylander and his Scotty "Smokey were returning from a trip to Mexico and felt they couldn't be so close to Joshua Tree without stopping over.

There was much scrambling around finding food and beds for them all but it was finally accomplished with everyone comfortable and happy.

Thursday morning they spent the time looking around and making plans to start building on one of Mrs. Terry's lots. She owns business property on the highway as well as a lot in the residential section.

VETERANS HOLD MEETING

The veterans of World War I and II held a meeting Thursday night in the Crane Bldg., for the purpose of organizing a new post and election of officers. To date there are about twenty - eight prospective members.

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Construction Crew Placing Poles For Electricity

Ross Smith, foreman of the Electric Company construction crew, arrived in town Monday with a crew of four men. Mr. Smith together with Ross Baldwin and C. E. Rogers are staying at Rockhaven. Ross Baldwin and Paul B. Mangum are housed at Melody Rancho.

On Tuesday three more workmen arrived and more are expected. With all these people working on the pole setting it looks as if our power is nearer than we had anticipated. Of course there is yet to come the wire stringing and the last final touches before we can turn on the magical switch.

According to Bob Nale at 29 Palms, the Joshua Tree area is to have the first chance at any of the hard-to-get materials which seem to be holding up the completion of the work. Possibly everything will be on hand when the wires are strung and ready; Mr. Nale made no promises but was hopeful.

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Spring Morning

Day dawned early. The sky in back of the eastern hills was aflame with color. The brilliant rose mingled with gold and blue and encircled the town. The reflection in the west merged with the glow in the east. Finally the sun, like a huge golden disc appeared over the hills ushering in another beautiful and glorious spring day.

In the man-planted garden the crab-apple tree was in full bloom. The tiny pink blossoms on the flowering almond seemed to nod good-morning when we looked out the window. The garden was a riot of color with its purple stock, pink petunias and golden snapdragons. Sweet alyssum which started as a tiny little plant has spread to such proportions that it now occupies a corner of the garden and fills the air with its sweetness. The climbing roses are ready to burst into bloom.

The birds sing gaily and have a fine time grooming themselves in the various bird baths around the place. Some are busy with bits of string and grasses with which to build a nest.

Leaving the house for the mile walk to the office the tiny ground squirrels scurry away from their morning breakfast and a little cottontail bobs up and scampers through the bushes. Every here and there a lizard darts out and crosses the path.

The desert flowers are beginning to bloom and we pick our way carefully in order not to trample down some of the wee small blossoms. The wooly marigolds with their yellow bossoms springing out of a clump of downy gray leaves add their bit of sunshine. The desert trumpet is putting forth new rosettes of leaves, green tinged with red, and the trumpet like branches are plump and a lovely shade of green.

Getting nearer the office the stately blooms on the Joshua trees attract and come in for their share of admiration. Looking upward to take in their beauty, the blue sky flecked with fleecy white clouds adds to the picture. The lights and shadows on the hills seem different and more spring like. It is hard to realize that the white mountain in the west is really snow capped. On a morning like this it seems as if it must be covered with white blossoms rather than snow.

It is a rare privilege to start the day surrounded by so much beauty. Yes, Spring is a fine time to be in Joshua Tree.

EDITOR'S MAIL BAG

Grosse Pointe, Mich.

Joshua Journal:

I am writing you for your Journal with money order enclosed. . . . I had a Journal sent to me by one of your residents, a former Mrs. Amber Klein, now Mrs. Charles Peterson. I read every bit of that paper and found it interesting, so now am sending my subscription.

Mrs. Peterson was my next door neighbor for a long time. Mr. and Mrs. Klein were just the best neighbors one could ever find anywhere. Mr. Klein died in Detroit. Mrs. Peterson has written me so many interesting things about Joshua Tree.

(Signed) MRS. ELLA AYLING

Ed. Note: Joshua Tree people also have found Amber a GOOD NEIGHBOR.

Excerpt of letter from Ethel Reeves to the Journal. Letter had check enclosed for renewal.

If any issues have been missed between now and the expiration date please send them along and date the subscription back. Our best wishes from both of us (Miss Tess Smith is the name under which the subscription is listed). We are longing for the time when we can get away from our work here long enough to visit our beloved desert, and our friends at Joshua Tree.

Paragraph from a letter from Mrs. Gus Mortensen: I am sending my renewal subscription in before the paper comes out next Friday 'cause I sure couldn't miss a copy. It means too much to have it. If all goes well I expect to be in Joshua Tree sometime in May and I shall be glad to see you all once more. Please remember me to all the old friends.

(Signed) EVALYN.

DESERT SHRINES

Many so called "Desert Shrines" are still in existence throughout the desert.

Stones, shells, glass beads, bits of broken pottery, twigs and sticks were among the articles deposited by the desert Indians when they came to worship at the shrine. Each member of the party contributed something and went away feeling sure that whatever he had asked for would be granted.

Today white men who come upon these shrines frequently carry out the old Indian custom. They, too, offer a prayer and leave an offering. The wishing well so frequently met with in different places is an outgrowth of this custom. Unfortunately it has been so commercialized that the effectiveness is lost.

The Indians dedicated their shrines to different Gods. There were those that had to do with fields and crops; others to water, domestic animals, and worldly goods. Just where or when the custom originated is not definitely known.

If you, in your travels, come upon one of these shrines, hold it sacred. There is nothing to be gained from disturbing the pile as the Indians never hid anything under them. They were used purely for devotional purposes Leave them for that purpose.

A suggestion has been made that if you do ask for help that in leaving you say in your heart "IN BEAUTY I WALK"

"With beauty before me, I walk
With beauty behind me, I walk
Grant me success in my venture,
In Beauty I walk.

Desert Flora and Fauna

DESERT TORTOISE

This is the time of year when life really begins in Turtle Land. The female Desert Tortoise hunts a secluded spot where she can dig a hole about eight inches deep. Laying from seven to nine eggs she covers them over with sand, packs them in snugly using her hind feet and then leaves it to the warm rays of the sun to do the work of hatching.

While March is the mating and egg-laying time, the baby turtle does not emerge from the shell until fall. At this time he tunnels his own way to the surface. His skin is loose and full of wrinkles but these soon disappear as he commences to feed. The Mother tortoise usually comes around and looks after her new family for the first couple of days but after that they must forage for themselves.

The youngsers eat tender vegetation but the adult tortoise feeds mostly on sagebrush and cacus. They drink very little water In fact, can get along with practically none except what they get from their food.

When winter comes the tortoise digs his way into the sand and hibernates. When spring comes and the desert has had about a week of strong sunshine he comes out of hiding and begins to live a normal life above ground. However, they

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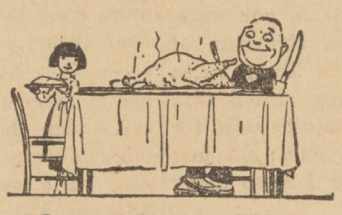
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Personal

Louis Kieburtz was up over the week-end to see about a house being built now, opposite Dr. Gustave Haas, on Desertaire Road. Mr. Kieburtz is already a property owner and has added another lot to his holdings.

Mrs Norma Peppin and Mrs. Lilian Patton came up from Los Angeles Monday, March the 25th. They intend to make an indefinite stay at the Lockehaven Courts.

L. M. Van Slyke of Beverly Hills, is visiting here for the second time this year. With Mr. Van Slyke are his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Mapes of Santa Ana. They are staying at Miramonte Courts and are doing quite a bit of sightseeing. A trip to Hidden Valley and the rock wonderland of the National Monument is planned for this weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. F S. Demotte and Mr. and Mrs. Seigel drove up from Los Angeles to look over property and were very favorably impressed Accompanying them was Mrs. P.A. Christensen.

Col. E. B. Moore and wife came up from Burbank for over the week end and were guests at the Miramonte Court.

Mrs. Ethel Cullington, Joshua Tree Property owner, and her daughter Barbara, are vacationing at Suniland Courts, Twenty Nine Palms.

Mrs. Cullington is taking a three month's rest from her work. She is a designer for Western Costumers who suply costumes to many of the Hollywood studios.

Mrs. Ida M. Teamer and daughter, Dorothy of Los Angeles, visited over the weekend. They own property in Joshua Tree.

Friendly Antagonism

(Antagonism — a noun, opposition of two forces in action—see Webster's dictionary).

The LISTENERS says there is a hot feud going on between the McGees and the Bishops. Seems every time these two factions meet they promptly get in each other's hair over which man will turn out the best residence. Nat says he went over to John's lot and saw what he thoght was the foundation for a washroom, only to be told it was a whole house, including the porch.

John declares that every time Nat gets stuck and does not know how to proceed with his own chicken coop he trots over to the McGee ranch and cops ideas. It's John's private opinion that Nat slaves his wife, making her mix cement 'n' everything. Shouldn't wonder but what Bishop will make a good brick mason of Lucy Jane yet.

So Nat retaliates by saying that he is going to import a half-breed Irish wolfhound to hunt coyotes, then he is going to get hold of a SMALL trailer, and load on John's crate (laffingly called a house) which he thinks will make a swell dog house for the pooch when it arrives.

Sure hope these two don't take to gun-totin' and settle it by the light of the moon from behind greasewood bushes!

Recipes

BANANA BREAD

3 large bananas.
1 cup sugar.
1 egg (well beaten.)
2 cups flour.
2 tsp baking powder.
Pinch of salt.
3 tbsp melted butter or shortening.

Bake 50 to 60 minutes in 325 degree oven.

PEANUT BUTTER CREAMS

1 pkg. confectioners sugar
1 tbsp. butter

Cream together and add just enough water to hold the mixture together so it can be moulded or rolled. Roll out and spread with peanut butter, then roll as if making a jelly roll.

Divide the roll in about 4 pieces and roll each piece until it is desired size to cut into small pieces.

Church Doings

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Between the BOOK ENDS

By DOLORES WILSON

James Hilton, author of the "Mr. Chips" series, scored another hit recently in his latest novel "So Well Remembered."

Probably a great many things were "so well remembered" in the life of George Boswell, the genial small town politician of Browdley, England, but none quite so well as the character of his wife, Livia.

A strange person, this Livia. By most people, she would have been considered the ideal wife. But to those who knew her well, she was a woman utterly lacking in scruples. When she wanted to do a thing—or to take a thing—she simply acted, and thought of nothing or no one. Therefore, it was not surprising that she had the ruthlessnes sto cause a serious setback to the career of her first husband, to completely ruin that of her second husband's, and to try to wreck her son's life.

It is here that George Boswell, stepped in again and in his own quiet, unobtrusive manner—typical of many Hilton male characters—determined that she would not throw her strangle hold on a third. This too, is, perhaps, the most dominating part of the story. It deals with a problem close to the hearts of many, these days, who may be wondering, if as a wounded or psychoneurotic veteran, they have the right to ask a girl to share, in marriage, the uncertainties and struggles that lie ahead of them.

ROMANCE ON THE HILL

We've been having rumors of a romance up on the hill. A well-known lady who likes to crochet leaves her work long enough each day to watch for a certain man who takes his daily constitutional up her way. A chat with him breaks the monotony and gives her something to look forward to. A few more visits and they will know all about each others family history.

MAN-MAKING

We all are blind until we see
That in the human plan
Nothing is worth the making if
It does not make the man.

Why build these cities glorious
If man unbuilded goes?
In vain we build the work, unless
The builder also grows.

—EDWIN MARKHAM

WORKING GIRLS

Even though the number of California women working in factories has dropped by more than 100,000 since the peak of August, 1943, when 284,000 were employed, that's still a lot of factory girls. They comprise 23.5 per cent of all factory workers — more than double the 11.9 per cent of Pearl Harbor month in 1941.

The Women's Bureau of the U. S. Dept. of Labor reports, however, that men needn't worry unduly about feminine competition for factory jobs as the labor shortage eases. Girls are leaving daily by scores to marry as the right man — often a young man home from the war — shows up.

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THE WORD

Oh, a word is a gem, or a stone, or a song,
Or a flame, or a two-edged sword;
Or a rose in bloom, or a sweet perfume,
Or a drop of gall, is a word.

You may choose your word like a connoiseur,
And polish it up with art,
But the word that sways and stirs and stays
Is the word that comes from the heart.

—E. WHEELER WILCOX.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Most Reverend Charles F. Buddy of the San Diego Diocese will hold confirmation services this afternoon (Friday March 29) at 2 p.m. at the Blessed Sacrament Church, 29 Palms. There are six children and four adults in the class.

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Know Your Neighbor

by Barney Moody

Some people doubt whether there actually is a Shangri-La or not,—however, Mr. and Mrs. Nat C. Bishop found theirs at Joshua Tree and came here two weeks ago to put down roots.

Mr. Bishop, a zone and fire warden of El Monte, California, was given the rank of Lt., for his outstanding work during World War II. Nat, or "Butch", his local nickname, was born in England and says he will trade British scenery (plus fog and drizzle) for Joshua Tree climate any time. He was with the Canadian Marines before World War I; came to America forty-two years ago, and moved to California thirty-eight years ago. He could rightfully be called an adopted son.

Nat is a painter, decorator, and paperhanger by trade, but he is a Jack of all Trades since he has undertaken the building of his own home. The Bishops are roughing it in a tent on the lot until their house is finished. The concrete foundaion is already poured and set, and the Bishops expect to be "at home" to their friends and neighbors in about a month, depending on the arrival of window frames and so forth. He is a likable sort of chap with a keen sense of humor, and is a loyal American at heart. The wind blew his small flag pole down the other day, but your reporter noticed it it back up again bigger and stronger than ever. It was a beautiful sight to see our proud Stars and Stripes waving in the breeze this fine morning, and Nat has taken it upon himself to see that the daily ritual of flag raising at Joshua Tree will be carried on.

Mr. Bishop had the reputation of having the best organized citizen's defense zone in Los Angeles County—was given an O.C.D. citation from Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr. In recalling those busy and helpful years, Nat remembers that of his ten wardens, nine were veterans of World War I who realized the importance and vital need of O.C.D. volunteers, while the younger, and more able men were full of excuses and could find no time to donate to so worthy a cause.

Saving the best for the last — his "Mrs." is a graduate of St. Alexis' Hospital, Bismark, N.D. To those of you who are so uncomfortable as to meet with a mishap, take heed and head for Lucy Jane with your cuts and bruises. Your reporter would consider it a pleasure and privilege to wake up and find her doing a Florence Nightingale act of mercy, for she is a darling. She has found time to plant a flower garden, and is putting in onion sets so the shortage will not affect her.

DESERT FLORA AND FAUNA

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do not commence feeding for two or three days after the hibernating period. While they love the sunshine, they are unable to endure the sun's rays for too long at one time. Morning and evening are their most active periods

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Verna Coulter is back in Joshua Tree with a trained nurse. This has been an unlucky year for Verna. The latest illness is due to a relapse after a major operation she underwent a few weeks ago.

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NATIONAL MONUMENT

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These are days when the Joshua Tree National Monument is becoming more and more a popular source of attraction. If you are one so fortunate to live at Joshua Tree you will notice the increasing traffic going back and forth to the many points of interest. Hardly a weekend passes but a number of good-sized auto caravans of tourists, students, scientists or just happy care-free folks—, pleasure bent — wend their way into the park.

There is no trouble now with the desert roads. The gravel highways in the Monument have been scraped, and are in fair to good condition. They are not surfaced; but are amply comfortable and safe for visitors' use.

If you own one of those popular little jeeps, those strong, sturdy vehicles with front wheel as well as rear wheel drive, you can safely get off the regular roads and explore the highways and by-ways of the cross-country desert region. The air in your jeep tires should be reduced to about ten pounds pressure for safe travel in the desert sands. This will provide ample tire flotation for sufficient traction and steering.

If your trip is made in the usual auto—as most of them are—with hard-surface road tire pressure and the usual rear wheel drive, by all means stay on the regular roadway and avoid going into soft shoulders when turning out.

Congress wisely provides sufficient annual funds to continue the present amount of maintenance. The road work, however, can be very well extended. As time goes on and the National Monument becomes more widely known and a mecca for thousands of tourists the year round—as it surely will be—a larger program of upkeep and development of the region is bound to emerge.

Its just a short thirty minute trip from Joshua Tree up Park Blvd., to the Wonderland of Rock section of the Monument. Take your camera with you. Plan plenty of time. You will find enticing pictures on every hand. The northwest section of the Park is a photographer's paradise. The clear crisp air at the altitude of 4,400 feet, the always bright sunlight in a cloudless sky, weird rock formations and unusual scenery, together with the thousand of grotesque-shaped joshua trees—assure many a good picture for future pleasant memories.

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GARDEN NOTES

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Jack A. Prince has just returned from Japan where he has been serving with the 322 Engineers Combat Batallion which is attached to the 97th Infanry Division. Mr. Prince spent several months in the European Theater before going to the Pacific, and is now a civilian. He arrived home in time to conduct the Tuesday evening Technocracy Study Class, which is held in the Joshua Tree Club House every Tuesday 7:30 P.M.
Jack is the son of Dicey J. Pingle

The second Technocracy Study class showed an 87.5 per cent increase in atendance over the first class.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Stafford from Wilmington and Mr. and Mrs .F. Smith of Santa Ana were up to look over property, and contemplate locating. Joshua Tree climate was highly recommended to them by a well-known L. A. physician.

Mrs. Charles Mitchell's brother, Thos. D. Keller of Monrovia and wife were weekend visitors at the Mitchell home.

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First Tuesday of each month 8 p.m. Yucca Valley Post 468 American Legion at Legion Hall, Yucca Valley.

First Wednesday each month Yucca Valley Womans Club

First Friday of each month 2:30 p.m. Board meeting of Joshua Tree Women's Club. Watch bulletin board for meeting place.

Second Saturday of each month 8 p.m. Chamber of Commerce meeting. Board meeting 7 p.m. same night. Watch bulletin board for place of meetings.

Third Friday of each month 2:30 p.m. Joshua Tree Women's Club meeting at Club House, Joshua Tree.

Every Saturday night, dance at Yucca Valley School House, sponsored by Yucca Valley Women's Club.

Take the children to Sunday School on Sunday.

THREE MORE RESIDENTS

Joshua Tree has three more permanent residents. Jimmy Carrington, our meat dealer at the Desert Trading Post, found a residence in town for his family, and is renting Winter's house on Mountain View Circle. Jimmy was busy Sunday scouting around the country for a few extra pieces of furniture for that new home. The Carringtons' daughter, who is making her home with her parents, is the new smiling "pin-up" girl at the Desert Steak House.

Flying News From 'K' Field

Favorable weather this week brought out a group of soaring enthusiasts from Huntington Park. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ziler, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Ziler, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Hunsiker from South Gate, Calif. Mr. J. C. Ziler was a contestant in the February Soaring meet. They enjoyed flying their Schweizer Sailplane and plan to spend more time on the desert.

William Tracy and Chan Johnson, glider pilot friends from Prescott, Arizona, soared their Bowlus sailplane over Violet dry lake Sunday for one hour and forty-five minutes.

Visiting pilots to fly in were Mr. and Mrs. Don Downey from the Pasadena Star News. They were in a Stearman PT-17. Mrs. Nisley and A. J. Carter in their new Areonca Champion from Thermal, Calif. They are interested in learning to fly Sailplanes.

The Boy Scout Troop of Twenty-nine Palms under the supervision of Scoutmaster Sid Lippon were introduced to gliding last week by flying the new Schweizer Sailplane at K Field.

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Donald Bayes and Kenny Wagner, local boys, visited the airport Saturday and enjoyed a flight in the Piper Cub.

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A House Becomes a Home

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The congested environment of city living and the necessary restrictions imposed where millions are crowded together hamper our efforts toward the kind of living that reflects our personalities.

When the last nail has been driven in that new house — when the workmen have finished with hammer and saw — you have a house. It's a beautiful house and you can't wait to move in. It represents a dream come true and the realization of hopes — and plans.

But not until you have moved in and added those little personal touches of your own does it begin to have that "homey" atmosphere of welcome and comfort that is at once apparent to all who enter.

That bush at the edge of the walk might not take a prize at a horticultural exhibit but to you it represents hours of care and tender nurturing. It's part of you. And the sand you hauled for Willie's play pen — and those antimacassar doodads on the chairs — and those embroidered guest towels that are never used — these are a part of you — and yours. They are the really important things that make a home of a house.

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